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Sir:

I hereby certify that thi Request for an Extension of Time to File a Notice Opposition is being dep with the United States I

addressed to: Trademark Trial and Appeal Board – No Fee, Assistant Commissioner of Trademarks, 2900 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA 22202-3513

on this 12th day of September, 2001.

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

Petitioner, The Dannon Company, Inc., through the undersigned counsel, hereby respectfully requests a thirty day extension of time to file a Notice of Opposition, to and including October 13, 2001 against the above-identified application.

This is Petitioner's first request for an extension of time. Additional time is required so that Petitioner may further evaluate Applicant's application to determine the need to commence a proceeding before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board.

This request is not made for the purpose of unduly delaying proceedings in the Patent and Trademark Office.

This request is submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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